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JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING

Truly an all-American resort, Jackson Hole is home to cowboys and high peaks, and it's all about the steep, deep stuff. It boasts a fantastic snow record (an annual average of just under 12m) and some of the best extreme ski terrain in the US.

In most US resorts, heading out of bounds is a big no-no, leading to the confiscation of lift tickets, but Jackson is different! There are gates in the boundary rope where you can leave the security of the patrolled areas and head off-piste to 3000 acres of couloirs, bowls, trees and cliff bands.



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SNOWBIRD, UTAH

Just a quick hop down the road from Utah's Salt Lake City, Snowbird has the steepest terrain around, and a pretty fine halfpipe too. Most importantly, it's got loads of that Utah powder - pure free-dried pleasure.

Ballsy powder skiers will love it here, but there's still enough for beginners to get up to speed. For the rest of you, warm up on the Chips run, check out the black diamond terrain and go destroy. For the toughest challenge the mountain has to offer, head for Livin' The Dream. Hike the well-trodden trail up toward the top of Mt Baldy... click in... go wild.













KICKING HORSE, BC

Kicking Horse opened to the public in December 2000, and it's the only new four season Canadian resort to open in the last 25 years. The resort is ideally suited to produce lots of champagne powder. Rated number one for powder in North America, advanced skiing is fantastic. In the upper mountain area there are three separate bowls with 70 black diamond steep narrow chutes leading down into them. But never fear, there are also gentle beginner slopes, long groomed corduray linking trails, and open powder bowls. Intermediate trails can be accessed from every lift.









